



Pentecost Sunday

Readings: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 103; 1Cor 12; 3-7,12-13; Jn. 20:19-23.

Pentecost commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon Jesus' disciples fifty days after His resurrection. It coincides with the Jewish festival of the Harvest (Weeks), seven weeks plus one day after the feast of Unleavened Bread or Passover. Many Jews would have gathered in Jerusalem for this festival. Having received the gift of the Spirit, the disciples proclaimed the Good News in many different languages, so much so that the Jewish people gathered from far and wide could understand them in their own language. That they could all understand is evidence of the universal mission of the Christian community to bring the Good News to all people.

As we celebrate this feast, we realise that we are included in this mission and are all receivers of the Holy Spirit. We may not be in the room with the disciples when Jesus comes among them, but we are together in this room as we celebrate the Eucharist on this feast and something very important is happening. Jesus assured His disciples that He would not leave them orphans, that He would send them the Advocate – the Spirit – to be with them. The same Spirit brings us new enthusiasm, new hope and new energy in our common mission. We ask the same Spirit to help us with the challenges we face as a parish family looking for new ways to build up the community of faith.

Fr. Melvyn

MASS INTENTIONS

- ✠ Sat 4th 10am: Anne Abell, Philip Matthews & deceased members of the Matthews and McGovern families
- ✠ Sat 4th 6pm: Mary Ryan, John Costello (BR)
- ✠ Sun 5th 9.30am: Joan Woodlock (1st A), Nancy & Joe Harford, Rosanna Hand (Rem.) & the Hand family, Charles & Veronica Donnelly (Rem.)
- ✠ Sun 5th 11am: Dolores Burke, Jimmy & Peter Lambe, Joe & Kathleen Tyndall, Oonagh Whittle, Derek Brien, May Duggan
- ✠ Mon 6th 11am: Mass Card Intentions
- ✠ Tues 7th 10am: Margaret (Granny) Clarke, John Greene
- ✠ Wed 8th 10am: David Jones (MM) Seamus Fitzpatrick, Special Intention
- ✠ Sat 10th 6pm: Nicholas & Mary Shields, Basil & Kathleen Costello, Dennis & Mary Breen
- ✠ Sun 11th 9.30am: Deirdre O'Neill
- ✠ Sun 11th 11am: David Kelly, JJ & Nettie Gilsenan, Cahir Boyle

OUR SYMPATHY

✠ To the families of Vincent Sharpe, Shenick Drive & Bernadette (Bernie) Murphy, Quay Street who died recently. May they Rest in Peace.

FEASTDAYS

- 4th June – Solemnity of Pentecost
- 6th June – St. Jarlath
- 7th June – St. Colman
- 9th June – St. Columba
- 11th June – St. Barnabas
- 12th June – The Holy Trinity

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES

- Sunday 5th June:** Holmpatrick - 2.30pm
Baldungan - 4pm
- Sunday 12th June:** Ardlá - 2.30pm
Milverton - 4pm

Parishioners may bring their own bottle of water. These will be blessed during the prayers and may be used by them to bless their loved one's graves.

DATE TO NOTE

Bank Holiday Monday 6th June: Mass at 11am.

GOOD LUCK TO EXAM STUDENTS

We send best wishes to all Junior & Leaving Certificate students who start their exams this week and wish them happy and successful futures.

Happy holidays to all non-examination students who have finished for the summer holidays. Stay safe and have a great summer!

SKERRIES COMMUNITY GOCAR is a volunteer run scheme that was established in 2019 but unfortunately, due to COVID-19, it ceased to operate. We are currently recruiting volunteers and looking for passengers who would like to use this community vehicle. The service will be restarted in June. These services include social or medical appointments. If you would like to volunteer or use the car, please contact Patricia on 1800 303 707 or email: patricia@locallinklmf.ie

SKERRIES TOWN TWINNING

Skerries Town Twinning is hosting visitors from our twin (Canton of Guichen, Brittany) from 21 to 25 July. Twinning aims to foster friendship between different communities and is encouraged by the EU. We are looking for host families and people to help with activities – if interested please email skerriestwinning@gmail.com

Dates for your diary: Skerries Community Association is holding its AGM on Thursday 23rd June at 8.00pm via Zoom. Further details available soon at www.skerriesca.com

The Community Centre is marking its **40th Anniversary** on Sunday 7th August. There will be a range of activities and events on the day for all the people of the town. More details nearer the time.

SKERRIES LADIES BOWLS



Monday morning is non-competition morning for all lady members. Practice for Div. 2 and Div. 3 teams on Tuesday at 2pm. Next week Div. 2 will be at home to Westmanstown and Div. 3 are also at home v Blackrock. Well done to our competitors in the Junior Championships who have progressed to the 3rd round.



Notices for the Bulletin should be emailed to: skerriesbulletin@gmail.com by 4pm on the previous Wednesday.

30 YEARS AGO IN THE PARISH

- Newly baptised were Kyle-Fottrell Reid and Naomi Jackson
- Congratulations Kim, Martin and Tara from St. Michael's House who received their First Holy Communion
- Parish children were receiving their Confirmation this week
- The Blood Transfusion Service was visiting Skerries and welcomed new and old donors
- Tidy Towns committee was looking for a volunteer to cut the grass outside the exchange on Mill Hill. They also reminded children about the Plant-around-a-tree competition
- The Annual Raft Race, in aid of Skerries RNLI was taking place, followed by the Annual Dance later in the evening in Skerries Yacht Club
- It was hoped to publish a book of local poetry to coincide with Skerries Festival and contributions were being sought.

SKERRIES HARPS GAA CLUB



Congratulations to Lyndsey Davey on a starring performance for the Dublin ladies in the Leinster final.

Monday 6 June: Finals of the Primary Schools competition with 4 finals - Junior girls, Junior boys and Senior girls and Senior boys starting at 4pm.

Bar open at weekends for all TV sports and Zingo draw. Room Hire available for functions – contact Pat on 087 250 5479, email bookings.harps@gmail.com

Summer Camp Dates: Multi Sport Camp: 25 to 29 July. Nursery Camp: 15 to 19 Aug. Please note that our 2 Cúl Camps in July and August are now fully booked.

Zingo for 29 May: 5,6,2,3,4,7,1. No winners so Jackpot now €4,700. Draw in club on Sunday at 6.30 pm with Free draw for Spot Prizes. Zingo entry €2 or 3 for €5. Play Online.

The Elvis Spectacular Show returns to Skerries Harps on 16 July. Strictly Ticket Only Event. Details from Pat 087 2505479

Annual Golf Classic on Fri 29 July at Skerries Golf Club.

For all club news follow our Facebook page or see www.skerriesharps.ie